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A SOLID NORTH

WOULD CONFRONT THE SOLID SOUTH ON RACE ISSUE

A COLORED BISHOP WANTED

In Both the Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Denominations as a Stimulant to Extension Work in all Sections—Sharps and Flats.

By Our Special Correspondent.

One does not need to be a prophet or the son of a prophet to figure out a crushing defeat for Arthur Pue Gorman, should he be nominated for the presidency and attempt to run on the race issue. For any Democrat to hope for success on any platform he must carry New York, Indiana and Illinois and, perhaps, New Jersey, in addition to the solid South. The South, of course, is Democratic without the race issue, but what of the pivatal states just mentioned? Has anybody a notion that New York, wsth a vote of 25,000 would send in a majority opposed to civil equality? What could be expected in Indiana, with a Negro vote of 15,000? Or in Illinois, with a Negro vote of 30,000? Other Northern states show a heavy Negro population, the voters of which may be set down as absolutely Republican on the question of human rights as against "a white man's government" policy championed by the Democrats. Thus, with a solid North and an aggressive Negro reinforcement arrayed against the old solid South, the candidate of the lily whites would be defeated worse than any man has been whipped since Horace Greely. If those who manufacture platforms wish to do a winning "stunt" for the Democracy this year they will hardly do any paramounting on the "no Negro domination" issue.

We fail to see any reason why the time is not ripe for a Negro Episcopal Bishop. For the extension of the influence of this church in the South, the creation of a Negro bishop to direct the work, is a crying necessity. In affairs spiritual the colored people have long shown a marked preference for the guidance of their own race, because of the closer sympathy and deeper comprehension of their needs on the part of the priest or prelate whose lot is in common with their own. The Negro's progressive element in the South is keenly susceptible to the brood culture of the Episcopal Church, and the masses are reached by the practical system of serviceable education suppled by its missions and institutional schools, hospitals and nurseries. In the North commendable grogress is being made, but because of the general sentiment, shared alike by both races, the parishes are separate as to color, and the Negro rector ministers unto the Negro flock, amid churches without number attended by the whites. If separation is preferred in the North and compulsory in the South, and Negro priests placed in charge of Negro parishes, it follows that the line of cleavage could and ought to extend higher, leading to the separate diocese, headed by a Negro bishop. This would stimulate both priest and laity—encouraging the former to strengthen his ecclesiastical equipment by the spur of possible promotion, and inspiring the latter with the pride that comes of a recognition of their capacity of self government. It is felt by many enthusiastic Episcopalians that the Negro membership has come to be regarded as a mere annex to the whites, and while treated by them kindly, there has been too much of the debilitating atmosphere of gurdian and ward, retarding the greatly desired instinct of self-reliance that would grow out of congregational independence. This is true not only of the Protestant Episcopal situation, but of the Methodist Episcopal church as well. Both would be strengthened one hundred per cent in the character of ministers who would be attracted to the work and the numerical following would increase in proportion among the race by the consecration of a Negro bishop. Let us hope that the year 1904 will see this question well on the road to satisfactory adjustment.

Andrew Carnegie is in danger of becoming as popular with the colored people of this country that he may be added to our luminous galaxy of patron saints. He not only gives benefactions of money with an open hand, but he is not parsimonious in uttering words of cheer where they will do good. In New York the other day he addressed a meeting of the Armstrong Association, held in the interest of Hampton Institute, and surprised his white hearers as greatly as he delighted his colored ones by paying in that terse, vigorous Anglo-Saxon characteristic of the man, the following unqualified compliment to our brethren. Said he, among other things.

"It is about as certain as we are living that Great Britan will lose South Africa, because the Dutch people there are increasing, while the British are not. The Kaffirs won't work. What wouldn't Great Britain give for nine millions of Negroes as peaceable and lovable as those in this country? These men give us about 11,000,000 bales of cotton every year, and this, I contend, helps to make the United States the most powerful nation in the world. Suppose a fleet of British warships should attack us. The President, as commander-in-chief of the army and navy, need only to raise his hand and say 'stop exporting cotton!' and the war would be won. What a happy country this is to have the Negro!"

This is a new and most effective way of saying that "cotton is king," and a pronunciamento that the Negro is the warwick of the situation. Will not the American people chose to accept Mr. Carnegie's estimate of the Negro's economic value to the nation rather than the gangrened sentiments of John Temple Graves and his ilk?

We very much fear that Editor Jay Wesley Cromwell, of the esteemed Washington Record, is inclined to take our occasional references to the Jay Albert Johnson bishopric boom too seriously. As a simple matter of fact, neither your "special correspondent, etc.," nor the main body of the A. M. E. connection has ever considered Editor Cromwell's ponderous candidate in other than a humorous vein. Nothing has been further from our purpose than the covertly hinted possibility that we might follow the Wilmington precedent as to the Derrick controversy and 'carry the war into Africa," so to speak, by flooding Chicago with a circular in denunciation of the Rev. Jay Albert. Editor Cromwell's evident preparation to have his protege appear in the role of a persecuted martyr will have no assistance at our hands. The attempt of the Record to parallel the brilliant canvass of Dr. Derrick with this roaring farce offers a most unfortunate comparsion, for Dr. Derrick (now Bishop Derrick) is a Christian gentleman of unquestioned ability, broad and original in his mental grasp, with a deep comprehension of the ethics of his high office, and possessing both as a minister and a prelate, a commanding influence over men and measures. While his election was retarded in 1888 and 1892 by malevolent practices, he never was accused of pulpit impropriety, and the real worth of the man which could not long be obscured, brought him justly into his own in 1896. Bishop Derrick may have suffered severe criticism at times, but no one has ever regarded his policies or aspirations as fit subjects for ridicule. If Editor Cromwell insists, however, upon coddling his nursling all by himself, and thus contributing to the gayety of nations, he should not take it so to heart that we attune his theme to our light guitar and caral forth a melody in a meter so blithesome and bland.

Your correspondent is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of an interesting letter from Prof. Jessie Lawson, of Washington, president of the National Sociological Society, and excerpt of which is here given:

"My Dear Mr. Thompson:—Please accept the sincere thanks of your humble servant for the very excellent account of the 'Conference on the Race Problem in the United States,' under the auspices of the National Sociological Society, recently held in this city, as appeared in The Indianapolis Freeman of the 5th instant. The movement is a grand success. We have now gotten down to principles which are fundamental and basic, and we have an organization in which problems are discussed rather than personalities. You gave The Freeman a true picture of the proceedings of the conference."

The Southland is fertile in Ne ro talent. Atlanta has a young colored man, John Adams, who is a painter werthy of note. He is a native Georgian, is liberally educated, and has had special training in art in a Philadelphia school. He is doing some work which is pronounced excellent by competent critics, and conceded to show the sparks of positive genius. He is the painter of "The Accused Woman," which attracted widespread attention last year, and a later production is "The Betrayal." Each has the touch of a forceful character and a creative mind. Mr. Adams is at present a teacher at Morris Brown College, where he spends all of his spare time at an easel in his studio.

SHARPS AND FLATS.

There is hope for the man who does not imagine he knows it all.

Tuskegee Institute's garden yielded 5,050 bushels of sweet potatoes this year.

Education unapplied is like electricity without a circuit. It doesn't move anything.

Gen. Leonard Woods will be confirmed, and a Republican Senate will surely not turn down Dr. Crum.

The Chicago Conservator is still engaged in gathering up the scraps that Mr. J. W. Adams, of Alabama, left of it.

There is apparently no demand for a repetition of Rev. F. J. Grimke's widely advertised sermon on "temperance."

A rumor is current that Lawyer James H. Hayes is to abandon the State of Virginia and make Washington City his future home.

Shake, Bruce Grit! shake! May many more deserved promotions come your way. General Clarkson is a whole load of bricks for his good offices in this connection.

The colored citizens of several states are memorializing their senators to urge speedy and favorable action upon the nomination of Dr. Crum. That's the way to go at it.

Until our microscope comes back from the repair shop, we shall be unable to describe the size or character of the following that acknowledges the leadership of Lawyer James H. Hayes.

Lawyer Wiltord H. Smith has the Alabama suffrage test cases almost ready for presentation before the supreme court of the United States. Some interesting developments may be expected.

Let it be insisted upon that Attorney General Knox come to the rescue of the fifteenth amendment on behalf of the government whose edict on the suffrage is being contemptuously spat upon.

Rev. E. C. Morris, the influential president of the National Baptist Convention, contributed a strong article recently to the Baptist Vanguard in support of the work of Tuskegee Institute and its principal.

The usual baseless rumor was sent afloat that Booker T. Washington's friends were on hand to capture the National Suffrage Association's convention. The outfit went to pieces, however, from lack of national cohesiveness.

If the Washington Post is to be believed it would appear that Abraham Lincoln was the Negro's arch enemy during the civil war, and that the race's guide and counsellor and friends were Jeff Davis, Robert E. Lee and Bob Toombs.

In the smaller towns colored familes are finding that they can reduce the table expenses by fully one half by raising vegetables on the small plots of ground that are not needed for any gainful purpose. Try it on that big back lot of yours.

Many farmers throughout the country have grown to be independent by putting into active practice the lessons taught by the Tuskegee Negro Conference. Instead of mortgaging the more thrifty ones have reached the point where they take mortgages.

CAN HE MAKE IT?

Suppose the opponents of Booker T. Washington should succeed in unhorsing him and breaking down the influence of Tuskegee, what would they offer in their stead to the black boys and girls who are being converted into the bone and sinew of the race?

The Washington Bee is using a lot of italic letter "t's" to splice out its regulation straight matter brevier. Perhaps, with a little oleaginous persuasion, Brother Chase might be able to borrow a few "sorts" from his esteemed contemporaries, The Record or The Colored American.

John H. Robinson and William Griffin, former students of Tuskegee Institute, are making a success of cotton raising at Lome Togo, West Africa. The hard luck stories brought back by some of those who have ventured into Africa comes from fellows who probably wouldn't succeed anywhere.

Twenty-eight young colored men are enrolled at Harvard this year, and all are making creditable records. They show to marked advantage not only in their academic studies but are winning laurels on the gridiron as athletes of the first rank. All the Negro asks at any stage of the game is an equal chance and fair play.

The rewards of classical education in the South are not all commensurate with the capital invested in the trained intellect. Many college graduates are teaching for $30 per month, while a skilled mechanic is drawing $3.00 per day. In an undeveloped country it is easy to determine which kind of education makes bread and butter.

There is no truth in the statement sent out by the Associated Press that Booker T. Washington is to address the meeting of the so-called National Congressional League, advertised to be held in Chicago on the eve of the Republican National Convention. The president of the organization, Mr. Chas. F. LaFon, should see to it that proper correction is made.

Tuskegee's foot ball eleven seems invincible. Not content with trouncing Fisk University and Clark University, both of which presented their best avoirdupois, the Tigers met and conquered the proud scions of Atlanta University a few days ago in a hard fought battle, the score being 12 to 0. The Tuskegee squad was captained by Berry and Atlanta was led by Harleston.

They say when Bishop Coppin returns from Africa, the real boom of the Rev. Jay Albert Johnson for the bishopric will be launched, with appropriate ceremonies. It is a safe bet that Editor Jay Wesley Cromwell will be chairman of the committee on publicity and promotion, and that Dr. John F. Hurst and Editor J. H. Murphy will be conspicuous by their absence.

Prof. W. H. Ferris, who learned at an opportune moment that the school room of the South was a more fruitful field for the exercise of talents than the Northern platform of denunciation, is getting along swimmingly as an instructor in science a Kittrell College, the school over which Prof John R. Hawkins presides so capably.

The colored people of the rural communities of the South are recognizing the necessity and value of extending their school terms from five to eight months, even when obliged to draw upon their private resources. In many instances the school gardens conducted by the teachers and students bring enough money to pay for the extension. These are practical lessons in self help.

Says the Washington Star: "Booker T. Washington does not mention it, but it is likely that he would like to have his race educated not to do some of the things that are considered the smart thing in white society. Just so. Would it not be a grand step toward reform if the Negro would be half as anxious to copy the white man's substantial virtues as he is to imitate his costly and debilitating vices?

The report that Prof. Jesse Lawson has been succeeded as president of the National Scociological Society, is not true. Hon. George H. White was chosen merely to preside over the deliberations of the Washington conference, the body being free to elect its own officers for the session. The officers of the society, elected early in th fall, hold their respective places until th annual meeting in November, 1904.

Your correspondent ventures the suggestion that the annual convention of the National Negro Press Association be called to meet next July or August in the city of St. Louis. The "boys" will all want to see the World's Fair and no class of workers can more happily commingle business and pleasure than the newspaper fraternity. What say you, President Adams? The convention should not have less than one-hundred bona fide delegates.

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MR. B. T. WASHINGTON'S INFLUENCE

Mr. Washington's Influence.

The Prof. Bassett incident, to which previous allusion has been made, furnishes occasion for additional remarks about Prof. Booker T. Washington. It will be remembered that Prof. Bassett, who is one of the leading and influential educators of the South, made the statement in an article written by him not long since that Booker T. Washington is the greatest man the South has produced during the last hundred years, with the single exception of Robert E. Lee. If this able professor had omitted the exception in the case of General Lee, we would have entirely agreed with him, but he is not alone among Southern white men in the opinion to which he gave expression.

There are hundreds, if not thousands, of them who think just as Prof. Bassett does on this point, but very few of them have the courage of their convictions, hence they do not publicly express them. They know that the spirit of intolerance at the South has not entirely died out and that it is still dangerous for a business or professional white man in that section to give expression to any opinion he may entertain if they are not in harmony with the dominant sentiment of the locality in which he lives. Hence they remain quiet. In view of this fact, we confess that we were agreeably surprised that Prof. Bassett was bold, brave and courageous enough to publicly express himself as he did

The fact that Prof. Washington has succeeded in making such a strong impression upon the public as to draw forth, occasionally, from Southern white men of the Bassett type such expressions as those made by the able Southern professor proves that Mr. Washington is more than an ordinary man It proves that he is not only a man of great ability and of superior attainments, but that he is wise, prudent and judicious. He is a man of good common sense and excellent judgment.

His public utterances show that when he speaks he has something to say. They also show that he has excellent control of himself and that he never loses his head. Unlike some others, he can stand prosperity. He is a credit to his country and to his race. We do not always agree with him, yet we are proud of him. We do not always agree with President Roosevelt, and yet we think he is one of the best chief Magistrates we have ever had. There are many others with whom we do not agree on some important points and yet we honor, respect and admire them. There are some things about Booker Washington that would cause us to respect and admire him even if he were a Democrat And yet we know of no act of which it is possible for a colored man to be guilty that would more justly merit the condemnation of the colored people than for him to act with the Democratic party. We personally know some who have thus acted, for whom we have, outside of politics, a favorable opinion. But Booker Washington has never made that mistake.

The worst thing that can be said against him is that he has not been as bold and as outspoken in the denunciation of the wrongs to which his race is subjected as he might have been. But, as we have said on a previous occasion, he is not and does not aspire to be a political leader. His lines are cast in a different channel In his chosen profession or life work he is a marked success. His race is the beneficiary of his honorable achievements and marked distinction.

Some of this, of course, is intended for him personally, but the fact that he is a colored man makes his race a participant in whatever honor or distinction of which he may be the recipient.

In our opinion Mr. Washington will never do or say anything that will bring the blush of shame to the cheek of anyone or that will reflect discreditably upon himself or the race with which he is identified, and which we believe he is anxious to serve.

When President Roosevelt treated him as one cultivated gentlemen would be expected to treat another, about which so much was said by many of the hot-heads of the South, we are a little apprehensive that Mr. Washington would condescend to make an apologetic explanation of it, which would have been unfortunate and unwise. But he treated the matter as it deserved to be treated. He simply took no notice of it whatever. This was evidence of good sense and sound judgment.

Yes, we are proud of Booker T. Washington, we think every colored person ought to feel the same way. Whenever he says anything that we think he ought have said, or does anything that we think he ought not have done, we shall not allow ourselves to forget that he is a gentleman, and an honorable man, and a credit to himself, his country and his race.—The (Omaha) Progress.

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The time has come when the example set by the President in his last message as to how much it is best to say on the race problem can be wisely followed by all. It is to be observed that the President made no reference to the race problem in his message, but that he persits in his effort to land Mr. Crum He prefers action to mere talk. Senator Gorman and others are determined to inject the race queston into the national campaign; the friends of the Negro will resist this. The time has not yet come to make the race question a national issue. The country is not prepared to make any definite step either forward or backward from the legislation of the sixties. Taking advantage of the existing unrest certain noisy and forward persons have rushed ahead in several states and practically disfranchised the Negro voters, only to find that there acts scarcely touch the rim of the great question that is before the country and before the immense importance of which the most thoughtful men stagger.

That there is a race problem is terribly apparent to all, but it is only the most ignorant who seek to solve it by rushing forward and spitting on a Negro, or hanging him to a tree, or burning him at the stake, or driving him from the polls. Such trite acts are but the unreasoning impulses of the ignorant and thoughtless. Such acts rank with those of the poor man who feels that there is a problem of labor and capital and loses his head and seeks to solve it by killing a rich man.

The South has immediately before it the most aggravating factors of the race problem, but the nation as a whole has not only the race problem but the Southern problem and many other problems, to all of which it must find the solutions that will meet the requirements of truth, right and justice, regardless of racial, sectional or social prejudice.

The race problem is more than an American problem, it belongs to humanity, and its solution must meet the approval of the Almighty. The rule by which it must be worked out was given to humanity by Christ, it is called the "Golden Rule."

There are no other great principles to master, no other rules to seek; the task of this nation is to fit itself to accept the Golden Rule. This task is a great one and the process is likely to be prolonged for generations. No one is now living who will see its completion. There are no final solutions to be expected during this generation. The blood upon the hands of David made him unfit to build the temple, and the blood on the hands of this generation unfits it to build the fair temple of the universal brotherhood of man. David was permitted to gather the material, so may this generation do much to prepare for the holy task which other generations will perform Allen, Douglass, Langston, Bruce, Washington, all have made noble contributions, as have Garrison, Brown, Lincoln, Sumner, Phillips and other immortals. The human hand that is to lay out on the trestle board the final plans is yet in the shadowy future

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.

PLUM PUDDING.

Plain Directions For Making This Christmas Luxury.

Place in a vessel one pound of beef kidney suet, very dry, free from fibers and chopped very fine; one pound of seeded Malaga raisins; one pound of currants, cleaned and washed in plenty of water; one pound of bread crumbs, sifted through a sieve; a quarter of a pound of lemon peel, chopped very fine; one pound of powdered sugar, four tablespoonfuls of flour, a quarter of an ounce of nutmeg and allspice, a pint of brandy and six eggs.

Mix the whole well together. Dip a strong cloth in cold water and wring it out to extract all the moisture. Spread it open on a table and butter it liberally with butter softened to the consistency of cream. Dredge over with sifted flour and shake the cloth to remove any excess of the flour that failed to adhere to the butter. Lay in the center of the cloth the prepared mixture. Form it in the shape of a ball and raise up the edges of the cloth, bringing the four ends together all around, so as to inclose the preparation well, then tighten and tie firmly.

Have on the fire a high saucepan three-quarters full of water. When this boils plunge in the plum pudding and let it cook for three hours. Then remove it and have it stand for five minutes before cutting the string. Undo the cloth carefully and invert the pudding on a hot dish. Sprinkle it with sugar. Pour over some brandy or rum and set it on fire. Serve immediately with hard sauce.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Sauce For Plum Pudding.

Four tablespoonfuls of butter, whites of two eggs, one cup powdered sugar, one gill of brandy and one gill of boiling water. Cream the butter, add gradually the sugar, and beat until white and light. Add the whites, one at a time, beating all the while. When ready to serve add the brandy and water. Stand in a basin of boiling water over the fire, stir until creamy, and it is ready for use.

A sauce without brandy is made as follows: One tablespoonful of cornstarch, one tablespoonful of butter, one pint of boiling water, one egg, one-half cup of sugar. Put cornstarch, egg and sugar in a bowl and mix them well. Pour over them the boiling water and stir over the fire until thick. Add any flavoring.

Cranberry and Apple Sauce.

Take one quart of cranberries, two cupfuls of sugar, two cupfuls of water. Pick over the berries carefully and wash in cold water. Put them into a porcelain lined saucepan, with enough water to cover, and cook until tender. Then add the sugar and remove from the stove just as soon as the sugar has been dissolved. Serve hot or cold. Select the berries carefully; boil them slowly without stirring. If treated in this way they will retain their shape and the sauce will be clear and transparent.

Apple sauce is for roast goose. Peel and core six tart apples. Put them into a saucepan and just cover with water. Boil until tender, then press through a colander. Add a teaspoonful of butter, a dash of nutmeg or cinnamon and sweeten to taste.

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Gorgeous heavy silk mufflers, embroidered suspenders, neckties of white silk, linen or silk handkerchiefs and chest protectors are some of the things men must expect, as they generally put off buying them until after Christmas.

Other decorations for a man's den are the hideous but picturesque Japanese masks, swords and bayonets. Panel decorations in oriental design will surely please if they are well selected. A wastebasket would not be amiss, and one of the new corkscrews, with a horn top, silver trimmed, would be highly acceptable.

THE FIRST CHRISTMAS.

From the Gospel According to St. Luke, Chapter ii, Verses 7-20.

And she brought forth her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn.

And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.

And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were sore afraid.

And the angel said unto them: "Fear not, for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

"And this shall be a sign unto you, ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

And it came to pass as the angels were gone away from them into heaven the shepherds said one to another, "Let us now go even unto Bethlehem and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us."

And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in the manger.

And when they had seen it they made known abroad the saying which was told them concerning this child.

And they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

But Mary kept all these things and pondered them in her heart.

And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen as it was told unto them.

Druids and Mistletoe.

The Druids always sought the mistletoe by the full moon and, when they found it, rejoiced and worshiped. After cutting off its twigs with a golden sickle they sacrificed two milk white bulls beneath the tree. The sacred shrub was then immersed in water, and the resulting concoction became their remedy for all diseases. The early Christians would not permit the use of the mistletoe in their churches because of its heathenish origin; consequently it was hung only within the private abode and usually in the kitchen. Any maid caught standing beneath a branch had to forfeit a kiss to the gallant eagerly awaiting his opportunity. With each kiss a berry was plucked, and when all of the berries disappeared the bare branch was useless to the young man who wished to claim the privilege of thus saluting the fair damsel thereafter. The mistletoe was said to have been the original magical shrub or forbidden tree in the garden of Eden.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

One Thing and Another.

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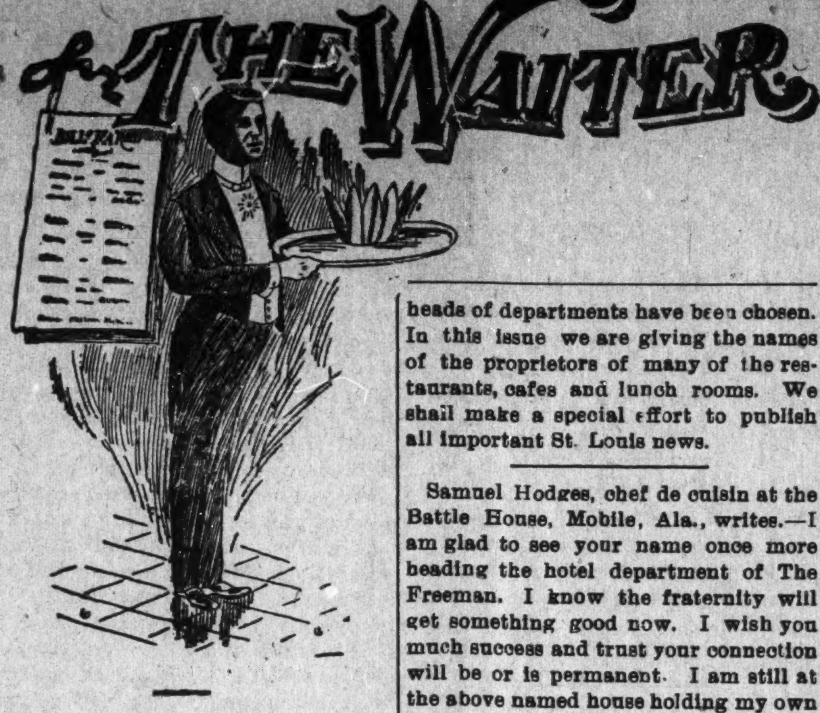

Edited By

W. FORREST COZART.

A happy New Year to all and a few hundred new resolutions.

John Orr is the new headwaiter at the Mitchell House, Thomasville, Ga., this season.

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Joseph Lee is again in charge of the dining room at the Chamberland, Old Point Comfort, Va. Mr. Lee is also the general Isamore at the Grand Union, Saratoga Springs during the summer season. There is a girl in Dawson, Ga., that would like to hear from Mr. Lee.

The minutes of the Head and Side-waiters' Association, as printed, seem to have made the editor of this department the father of most of the important resolutions and motions. While we occupied much of the valuable time at the convention there are several motions and nominations credited to us which we did not make.

Every waiter should take special care to learn the proper way to garnish their meats. I have seen some put green garnish on eggs and others sweet entries, potatoes, etc., which is very improper. Parsley should be used on fish, fried and breaded meats and oysters; water cress on roast meats, streak, game, chops and all broiled meats.

C. W. H., writing from Philadelphia, desires to know who will be in charge of the most important European hotels and restaurants at the St. Louis fair. This question cannot be answered with accuracy at this writing as very few heads of departments have been chosen. In this issue we are giving the names of the proprietors of many of the restaurants, cafes and lunch rooms. We shall make a special effort to publish all important St. Louis news.

Samuel Hodges, chef de cuisin at the Battle House, Mobile, Ala., writes.—I am glad to see your name once more heading the hotel department of The Freeman. I know the fraternity will get something good now. I wish you much success and trust your connection will be or is permanent. I am still at the above named house holding my own in the usal style.

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N. A. Court, manager of the Chittenden Hotel, Columbus, O, was recently elected president of the Ohio Hotel Men's Association. Mr. Court read a paper before the convention, entitled: "Help and Its Relation to Hotel Keepers." Mr. Court said in part: "Probably one of the most serious problems confronting the hotel man of to-day is that relating to help. I say one of the most serious, because we are all forced to recognize how much the success of our establishments are made dependent upon the faithfulness and ability of those in our employ. Indeed, so much is this appreciated that it has been made the subject matter for conversation and general discussion whenever hotel men have met.

"I have long since despaired of being able to organize a hotel force or help made up of material fasioned and finished exactly to my hand, but I have given this question of help much study and it has been my ambition to adopt some method to establish an incentive for them to remain with me and to take an interest in their duties. I finally decided to try the merit system with the waiters. For instance, I pay my waiters $20 00 a month to start with, and at the end of every three months I increase their salary one dollar until they have reached the limit of twenty-five dollars which requires fifteen months steady employment to obtain. When a waiter is discharged and afterwards re-employed he must begin once more at the foot round of the ladder viz: at twenty dollars per month. If he looses any time by reason of illness or any other unavoidable cause, this does not count against him.

"The merit system proved so satisfactory, so far as the waiters are concerned, that I have since adopted it in the other departments of the Chittenden and it has certainly repaid me many times over. When they do their work well they deserve praise and financial recognition, but when they fail to properly perform their duties they should be held equally responsible.

"A word of encouragement spoken at the right time will often work wonders. On many occasions when complimenting employes on their good service the gleam of satisfaction that lighted their countenance as they listened convinced me that it was not seed sown on stony ground. I do not encourage familiarity but I do believe that managers are many times responsible for the unsatisfactory condition of their help as the disposition of the manager reflects itself in his employes. Employes have sensitive feelings, whether their skin be black or white. I try to make them feel that the Chittenden is their home and pay them their wages and feed them generously on good and well prepared food. I aim to gain their respect and am pleased if I can win from them a kindly consideration."

Mr. Court knows whereof he speaks as he had quite a problem to solve when he first took charge of the Chittenden, his predecessor was a man that disorganized one department as soon as he had organized another and remind us very much of the milch cow that would give a bucket full of good milk and then kick it over. No hotel man may expect good results when he mistreats and poorly feeds his help. If other hotel proprietors would come to Mr. Court's way of reasoning, the results would be manifold.

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Social Happenings.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.—Prince Hall Lodge No. 16, F. and A. M., met Monday night, and after attending to the monthly business elected officers. The financial committee reported the lodge to be in a good condition. Simon Daniels and J. W. Walden were appointed tellers, and the election had the following result: Dr. A. L Cabell, W. M; G. U. Morton, S. W.; R. H. Joyner, J. W.; F. M. Anderson, treasurer; S. W. Stuart, secretary; James Lyles, tyler; Charles Holbert, trustee for three years; Welton Anderson, S. D; James Dickey, J. D.; A. C. Rice, S S; Wm. Davis, J. S. Mrs. Maria Price died Monday night, Dec 21 at her home on South Second street, after being confined to her bed seven years. The members of the two Eastern Star chapters and the two Masonic lodges were out in full force at the joint installation and banquet at the hall of Darnes Lodge No. 4, Seventh street and Wabash Ave., Thursday night. The installation was held in the Odd Fellows' hall, and when it was completed the banquet began. It was held in Darnes Lodge hall, where a beautifully appointed table in the shape of a cross reached the entire length of the hall. Mr. A. D. Ashworth, the well-known caterer, with his committee served the banquet. "Thirty Years of Freedom" was given at the A. M. E. church Christmas night. The N. E. C. club gave an entertainment at their hall Thursday night. Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell spent Christmas in Seymour. The Terre Haute Eclipse baseball club will be in the game next year with a good team, and would like to hear from any club in the State or out of it, but would prefer the A. B. C. of Indianapolis at any time next season.

The Pastor Installed.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—The installation of Rev. W. J. Houston to the pastorial charge of the Friendship Baptist Church with appropriate ceremonies was witnessed by an excellent audience. The intallation sermon, by Rev. P. B. Broughton, of Salem Baptist Church, subject, "The Spirit of the Lord is Upon Me, Because He hath Anointed me to Preach His Word." The pastor was escorted to the pulpit by Deacon A. Thornton and Rev. W. A. Benson; singing. The bible was presented to the pastor by Rev. W. Walker; the charge, delivered by Rev E A. Fain and prayer by Rev. A. Morgan. The hand shake of welcome was extended the paster by the congregation. Words, excepting the charge by the pastor, were interesting. The sweet singers of Salem Baptist Church delighted the audience. Prof. Wm. Brooks was master of ceremonies. The following were the participants in this grand occasion who delivered addresses: Revs. G. W. Parks, D. D, C. H. Trusty, B. D, J. W. Tate, D. D. The Congregational Church is to erect a $1,000 church edifice, Rev. E. J. Smith pastor.

Jackson Items.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—The St. Nichol Lodge, No. 12, elected officers as follows: John Wesley, W. M.; Edward Brooks, S. W.; John Bibbs, J. W.; Thomas Jones, S. D.; Allen Tillus, J. D.; Dennis Morgan, Tiler; H. G. Gough, Secretary; Alger Hall, Treasurer. Mr T. Jones is on the sick list. Mesdames Cora Becks, Deangles and Howell have opened up a first class boarding house on West Main street. Fred Taylor, of Albion, is in the city. Arthur Brazelton, of Detroit, is in the city, visiting relatives. Andrew Williams was in the city last week. LaShe's Honolulu Belles Co., passed through Jackson last week. Messrs C. W. Barnes and Dewit Cunnigham, of Canton, O., spent a few days in the city last week. Messr Frank Waters and Joe Logan, of Battle Creek, were in the city last Thursday evening on a pleasure trip. Lonnie Iwrin, of Battle Creek, spent Saturday here. Anyone wishing The Freeman will please call on our agent, Miss Flossie M. Johnson, 259 East Washington street.

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Death, Personals.

Navasota, Tex., Special.—Mr. Sam Lane has opened a first-class barber shop on Washington avenue. Ernest Hays, of Houston, and his brother of Galveston were called here to the bedside of a sick sister who is improving at this writing. George Nabors was called from Lufkins to the death bed of his father, Jackson Nabors. Mr Simpson died in Houston the 5th, and the remains were buried here the 10th. Many friends are left to mourn the loss of this good old man. Mr. Tommy Binford was called from Marshall, to the bedside of a sick father. Mr R. A. Labsaett is running a first-class barber shop on West Railroad street. Mrs. John Chism is visiting relatives in Houston. Mr. M. D. Lewis has opened up a first-class chop house on Washington ave.

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THE TENDENCY OF THE PULPIT.

The Christmas "Star of Zion" is filled with splendid short sermons and talks by the bishops, the leading ministers and prominent members of the laity of the A. M. E. Zion church; they are strong, but of plain and simple language that is not to be misunderstood. The general tendency toward simple and direct language may be taken as indicative of the Negro pulpit of to-day which in the past has been successfully accused of affectation and pedantry among the learned and sensationalism among the ignorant. There was a time when to preach as Talmage was the great desideratum rather than preach like Paul, who talked as simple and direct as a child. There was a time, and it is a pity too that the time is not entirely past, when a class of men felt that "Death in the Pot," "Dry Bones in the Valley" and "A Dammed Hot Day" were the high water marks of pulpit effort, but happily the day for such sensational preaching is rapidly passing.

Earnestness and sincerity and good and forceful language are the convicting agencies in the pulpit as elsewhere. The very ornate simply pleases for the time, leaving no lasting impressions, while the sensational is to the emotional, and the emotional are not the surest products of an effort. It does not mean that the language must be inane, jejune or insipid, if we can thus express it, but like the curved line, powerful in its simplicity; nor is the opportunity for the display of the learning denied. Thorough acquaintance with the subject in hand is the best test of the intellectual status and not necessarily classical quotations, citations or allusions, which things are not without merit and usefulness, but they should not be hobbies to be ridden to death, and in fact making feeble the very effect expected through the plateau of motonony.

The articles referred to in the Star of Zion are gems as we see it, comparing favorable with the best pulpit thought of to-day.

The calamity at Walden University, where something like forty colored girls make up a list of dead and injured, was the worst known to such institutions. The affliction incites the sympathy of all, realizing what it is to lose the best representatives of the homes by death and that in its most dread form. Storied urn nor animated bust can call back to earth the fleeting breath, but we can pay our all, our tribute of respect to the dead and sympathy for the sorely afflicted and bear with those parents and relatives who have seen their hopes and loves borne home corpses and mangled and bruised. Truly does the touch of affliction make the whole world akin. The hearts of our people bleed for those over their great losses and pour forth a wealth of pity and sympathy, the kindred of mercy.

Menelik of Abyssinia is reported to have been very much affected on hearing about the colored people of the United States, and that he actually shed tears when he heard about President Lincoln liberating the slaves, asking that the story be repeated. The king, if he is quoted correctly, is a little slow for his job, but it sounds very "good." According to the story the king said in reference to Lincoln, "What a great man!" and further, "I cannot do as Lincoln did it; I would upset things too much, but I have decreed that while those at present slaves shall remain such, their children shall be free and slavery will disappear." He will visit the United States and the World's Fair at St. Louis.

The first annual banquet of the Association of Colored Men in Business was given last week in New York. Register Judson W. Lyons was the guest of honor. Several interesting papers were read, which appealed to the colored people for co-operation along business lines. The city of Indianapolis can profit by the example of New York. The Negro Business Mens' League will meet in this city several months from now. The local league will do well to use every effort that it has in mind to make it the successful meeting predicted and which, in the meanwhile, will stimulate the business idea in this city.

The congregations of some of the Washington churches have taken their spiritual leaders to task for "politicalling" during the Suffrage Convention, which recently met in that city. The ministers, it is said, have been explaining every since to their rebellious flocks just how they happened to oppose the resolution endorsing President Roosevelt and his administration, but with no remarkable headway. It looks as if the members of their respective churches were playing at the endorsing business; they, the reverent gentlemen, it appears, are not beyond inspection.

The Christian zeal manifested by the Russians can well be spent in other directions rather than in looting and murdering Jews under the banner of Christianity. According to history Christianity flourishes best when the sword is sheathed. In view of the recent demonstration against the Jews at Kishineff, prominent Jews of Indianapolis have petitioned the President that he use his good offices in bringing about relief.

It is said on good authority that three out of five delegates selected for the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church are opposed to the creation of more bishops. Does it mean that Drs. Townsend, Johnson, Connor and others must wait four more years to know what is in store for them?

Dr. B. F. Watson, secretary of the A. M. E. church extension, is back home from an extended trip through the South. He is opposed to an increase of the bench of bishops, and says all of the general officers except Drs. Johnson and Sparks are also opposed to any increase.

Rev. John E. Burke, who has labored for years among the Negroes of New York, brings the blessing of Pius X to the Negroes of America from Rome. He will be the recipient of a $20,000 gift, the result of a demonstration at Carnegie Hall.

By the way, the President has proven himself quite a friend to the colored people, and for which he should have credit regardless of his politics or supposed aspirations, even in a Suffrage Convention.

Twelve dead and twenty-five injured is the list of casualties resulting from the dreadful fire which gutted Rust Hall, the girls' dormitory at Walden University, Nashville, Tenn., last week.

The colored department clerk at Washington, D. C., who wrote to a white lady clerk of the office proposing a valuable Christmas present, perhaps wishes he had not done it.

O, but it is a non-partisan affair, don't you see. We must not endorse. Advice—Endorse anybody, everybody or anything that endorses you—Yours truly, Horse Sense.

President Roosevelt knows what it is to stand for the colored people. Judging by the Suffrage Convention some of which were a little particular as to who they stood for.

The Indiana Republican love feast was pulled off this week. Indiana is again very pivotal and very doubtful, judging by the onimous activity.

Russia and Japan will have it but, it is thought. Japan is precocious and bright, but it should have fear of the bear that walks like a man.

The irrepressible resolution man got in his work at the Suffrage Convention which recently met at Washington, D. C.

Some lynching of Negroes during the holidays; it is to be hoped that 1904 will begin with the lynching business cut out.

Kaiser William couldn't see of what interest William Jennings Bryan could be to him, so he invited him to brush by.

It is said that Trotter actually behaved himself at the Washington Suffrage Convention. Well, we guess so.

The colored teachers of Louisville showed up in good form in the Christmas issue of the American Baptist.

Mr. Taggart didn't care to teach Mr. Keach a lesson, but Mr. Keach insisted; it was a shame to do it.

Christianity owes it to itself, hence to civilization, to rout all fanaticism in the name of Christianity.

Indianapolis was full of the teaching sisters and brethren this week. The town was voted them.

Crimes committed in the name of religion make many unwilling converts to anti-religion.

Colombia ridden Panama was it, but things have changed. Everybody stand up.

Mr. Byrd Prillerman will look after the colored institutions at St. Louis.

Indiana politics is getting right. Tom Taggart is again in the saddle.

The Mikado was voted a success.

Jackson Inklings.

Jackson, Mich., Special.—Andrew Williams and Irving Brazleton, of Parma, spent Sunday in Jackson. Mrs. Wm. Case, of Bay City, spent Christmas in Jackson with her children. The dance that was given last Thursday night was a very enjoyable affair. Miss Era Johnson has moved her boarding house to 259 East Washington street, where she is ready to accomodate all. Miss Nellie Scott has gone to her home in Canada, where she will visit for four weeks. Bert McDonald spent Sunday in this city with friends. A party was given at Miss Bessie Powers' Christmas night in honor of a couple of young ladies from Grand Rapids. Mr. Arthur Jackson was in the city last week visiting friends. Lonnie Ervin, of Chicago, and Harry Lemons fought a six round draw at Cement City December 24th. Wm. Case and sister, Visa, spent a few days in Cleveland, O., with their relatives.

Hannibal Notes.

Hannibal, Mo., Special.—There were quite a number of visitors in the city during the holidays, among them were Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Williams, of Peoria, Ill., Miss Martha Townby, of Louisiana, Mo., and Mr. L. Meyers, of Buxton, Iowa. Among the sick are Arthur Austin, Mrs. America Brown and Mr. L. Booker. Gladys, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Addie Henderson, who has been quite ill with an attack of pneumonia, is much improved. Miss Alta Dorsey and Mr. Arthur Martin were married on Thursday evening, December 25. Miss Lulu M. Lewis has returned from a visit at Paris, Mo. The Misses Danes left the city for Clarksville on the 24. Mrs. Mildred Harris gave a drama at the Eighth and Centre streets Baptist Church on Monday evening, December 28, titled "Miss Blothingsy's Blunder." The Concert Company of Quincy, Ill., under the management of Mrs. Monday, which gave the drama at the Eighth and Centre streets Baptist Church Christmas night was quite a grand success. Get The Freeman every Saturday from Walter W. Booker, agent.

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BE IT KNOWN, That on the 2nd day of Dec. 1903, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Lucinda Murray and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Lucinda Murray is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 24th day of February, 1904.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 24th day of February, 1904, the same being the 24th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the [illegible] Monday in February, 1904, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in [illegible] absence.

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THE TENDENCY OF THE PULPIT.

The Christmas "Star of Zion" is filled with splendid short sermons and talks by the bishops, the leading ministers and prominent members of the laity of the A. M. E. Zion church; they are strong, but of plain and simple language that is not to be misunderstood. The general tendency toward simple and direct language may be taken as indicative of the Negro pulpit of to-day which in the past has been successfully accused of affectation and pedantry among the learned and sensationalism among the ignorant. There was a time when to preach as Talmage was the great desideratum rather than preach like Paul, who talked as simple and direct as a child. There was a time, and it is a pity too that the time is not entirely past, when a class of men felt that "Death in the Pot," "Dry Bones in the Valley" and "A Dammed Hot Day" were the high water marks of pulpit effort, but happily the day for such sensational preaching is rapidly passing.

Earnestness and sincerity and good and forceful language are the convicting agencies in the pulpit as elsewhere. The very ornate simply pleases for the time, leaving no lasting impressions, while the sensational is to the emotional, and the emotional are not the surest products of an effort. It does not mean that the language must be inane, jejune or insipid, if we can thus express it, but like the curved line, powerful in its simplicity; nor is the opportunity for the display of the learning denied. Thorough acquaintance with the subject in hand is the best test of the intellectual status and not necessarily classical quotations, citations or allusions, which things are not without merit and usefulness, but they should not be hobbies to be ridden to death, and in fact making feeble the very effect expected through the plateau of motonony.

The articles referred to in the Star of Zion are gems as we see it, comparing favorable with the best pulpit thought of to-day.

The calamity at Walden University, where something like forty colored girls make up a list of dead and injured, was the worst known to such institutions. The affliction incites the sympathy of all, realizing what it is to lose the best representatives of the homes by death and that in its most dread form. Storied urn nor animated bust can call back to earth the fleeting breath, but we can pay our all, our tribute of respect to the dead and sympathy for the sorely afflicted and bear with those parents and relatives who have seen their hopes and loves borne home corpses and mangled and bruised. Truly does the touch of affliction make the whole world akin. The hearts of our people bleed for those over their great losses and pour forth a wealth of pity and sympathy, the kindred of mercy.

Menelik of Abyssinia is reported to have been very much affected on hearing about the colored people of the United States, and that he actually shed tears when he heard about President Lincoln liberating the slaves, asking that the story be repeated. The king, if he is quoted correctly, is a little slow for his job, but it sounds very "good." According to the story the king said in reference to Lincoln, "What a great man!" and further, "I cannot do as Lincoln did t; I would upset things too much, but I have decreed that while those at present slaves shall remain such, their children shall be free and slavery will disappear." He will visit the United States and the World's Fair at St. Louis.

The first annual banquet of the Association of Colored Men in Business was given last week in New York. Register Judson W. Lyons was the guest of honor. Several interesting papers were read, which appealed to the colored people for co-operation along business lines. The city of Indianapolis can profit by the example of New York. The Negro Business Mens' League will meet in this city several months from now. The local league will do well to use every effort that it has in mind to make it the successful meeting predicted and which, in the meanwhile, will stimulate the business idea in this city.

The congregations of some of the Washington churches have taken their spiritual leaders to task for "politiealling" during the Suffrage Convention, which recently met in that city. The ministers, it is said, have been explaining every since to their rebellious flocks just how they happened to oppose the resolution endorsing President Roosevelt and his administration, but with no remarkable headway. It looks as if the members of their respective churches were playing at the endorsing business; they, the reverent gentlemen, it appears, are not beyond inspection.

The Christian zeal manifested by the Russians can well be spent in other directions rather than in looting and murdering Jews under the banner of Christianity. According to history Christianity flourishes best when the sword is sheathed. In view of the recent demonstration against the Jews at Kishineff, prominent Jews of Indianapolis have petitioned the President that he use his good offices in bringing about relief.

It is said on good authority that three out of five delegates selected for the General Conference of the A. M. E. Church are opposed to the creation of more bishops. Does it mean that Drs. Townsend, Johnson, Connor and others must wait four more years to know what is in store for them?

Dr. B. F. Watson, secretary of the A. M. E. church extension, is back home from an extended trip through the South. He is opposed to an increase of the bench of bishops, and says all of the general officers except Drs. Johnson and Sparks are also opposed to any increase.

Rev. John E. Burke, who has labored for years among the Negroes of New York, brings the blessing of Pius X to the Negroes of America from Rome. He will be the recipient of a $20,000 gift, the result of a demonstration at Carnegie Hall.

By the way, the President has proven himself quite a friend to the colored people, and for which he should have credit regardless of his politics or supposed aspirations, even in a Suffrage Convention.

Twelve dead and twenty-five injured is the list of casualties resulting from the dreadful fire which gutted Rust Hall, the girls' dormitory at Walden University, Nashville, Tenn., last week.

The colored department clerk at Washington, D. C., who wrote to a white lady clerk of the office proposing a valuable Christmas present, perhaps wishes he had not done it.

O, but it is a non-partisan affair, don't you see. We must not endorse. Advice—Endorse anybody, everybody or anything that endorses you—Yours truly, Horse Sense.

President Roosevelt knows what it is to stand for the colored people. Judging by the Suffrage Convention some of which were a little particular as to who they stood for.

The Indiana Republican love feast was pulled off this week. Indiana is again very pivotal and very doubtful, judging by the onimous activity.

Russia and Japan will have it out, it is thought. Japan is precocious and bright, but it should have fear of the bear that walks like a man.

The irrepressible resolution man got in his work at the Suffrage Convention which recently met at Washington, D C.

Some lynching of Negroes during the holidays; it is to be hoped that 1904 will begin with the lynching business cut out.

Kaiser William couldn't see of what interest William Jennings Bryan could be to him, so he invited him to brush by.

It is said that Trotter actually behaved himself at the Washington Suffrage Convention. Well, we guess so.

The colored teachers of Louisville showed up in good form in the Christmas issue of the American Baptist.

Mr. Taggart didn't care to teach Mr. Keach a lesson, but Mr. Keach insisted; it was a shame to do it.

Christianity owes it to itself, hence to civilization, to rout all fanaticism in the name of Christianity.

Indianapolis was full of the teaching sisters and brethren this week. The town was voted them.

Crimes committed in the name of religion make many unwilling converts to anti-religion.

Colombia ridden Panama was it, but things have changed. Everybody stand up.

Mr. Byrd Prillerman will look after the colored institutions at St. Louis.

Indiana politics is getting right. Tom Taggart is again in the saddle.

The Mikado was voted a success.

Jackson Inklings.

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To sustain the teachers by visiting the schools and by refusing to uphold your children in disobedient acts.

To stay away from the World's Fair if going means increase of debt or failure to discharge present obligations.

To put your education to practical use if you would demonstrate the superiority of knowledge over ignorance.

To remain in this, the land of our birth, despite the vaporings of the Gaveses, Carmacks, Gormans and Morgans.

To be above the abominable practice of selling your vote when the well-being of the country is bound up in an honest ballot.

To induce the national administration to give T. Thomas Fortune the substantial recognition that his services demand.

To understand that this busy old world has time to hear the story of success, but not a moment to listen to your tale of woe.

To attend the meetings of the National Negro Business League and the National Afro-American Council this year by all means.

To discountenance bumptious preachers who prostitute their pulpits to the dirty work of villifying the voiceless public in the pews.

To accord every woman the respect her character warrants, whether her life's mission carries her to the schoolroom or to the kitchen.

To reason with the Kentucky Democrats and prevent them from committing the unnecessary crime of disfranchising the Negro voters.

To bear in mind the necessity for providing for the material wants while contending for the suffrage and abolishment of discriminating laws.

To revere the memory of our dead leaders, like Frederick Douglass, and to back up with all our power our living chieftains, like Booker T. Washington.

To place worthy colored men upon the Bishops' bench in the Methodist Episcopal and Protestant Episcopal churches, to enlarge the work among the Negro people of America.

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To elect as bishops only men whose personality and character will bring a vigorous life to the church they represent—not to exalt pompous pulpitism and ministerial montebanks beyond their true merit.

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DIVORCE LEGALS.

George Murray vs Lucinda Murray | State of Indiana, Marion Co., ss: in the Circuit Court of Marion Co., In the State of Indiana. No. 130[illegible]5 Complaint Divorce,

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 2nd day of Dec. 1903, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Lucinda Murray and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Lucinda Murray is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 24th day of February, 1904.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 24th day of February, 1904, the same being the 24th judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the first Monday in February, 1904, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.

A. H. DICKEY, Attorney for Plaintiff, 44 Delaware street.

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Many cities and towns on the Pennsylvania-Vandalia Lines in Indiana are within a few hours of the big Fair, which opens at St. Louis next April 30. Forty-five of the ninety-two counties of Indiana are traversed by this railroad. A striking feature of the preparations for the Universal Exposition is the extension of the St. Louis train service on the Pennsylvania-Vandalia. A recent addition is the World's Fair Express which leaves Richmond at 10 10 p. m., St. Indian- night, reaching St. Louis in the morning. Other fast express trains for St. Louis leave Richmond at 4.45 a. m., 10.15 a. m., 1.25 p. m. and 10.10 p. m.; Indianapolis at 7 o'clock a. m., 12.15 noon, 3 30 p. m., and 12.25 at night. During the Exposition season from April to December, this service will be increased as occasions warrant.

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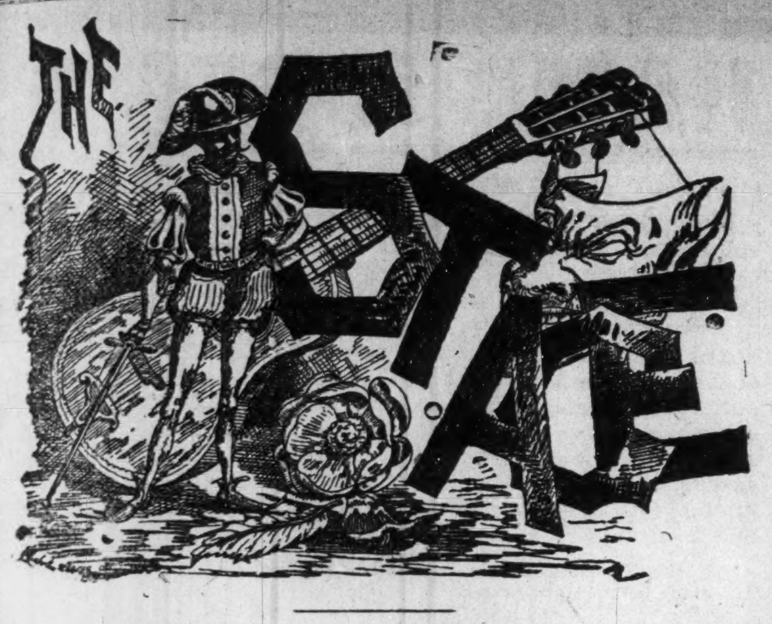

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RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S FAMOUS GEORGIA MINSTRELS (consolidated)—Oklahoma City, O. T., Jan. 3; Guthrie, 4; Perry, 5; Arkansas City, Kan., 6; Winfield, 7; Wichita, 8; Newton, 9.

BILLY KERSANDS' Big Colored Minstrels.—Montgomery, Ala., 4; Pensacola, Fla., 5.

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SYLVESTER RUSSELL.—Boston, Mass., Jan. 12.

WILLIAMS & WALKER'S "IN DAHOMEY COMPANY, London, Eng.. indefinite.

Billy Miller, the advanced monologuist, has joined hands with Harry Allison, and the team will be known as Miller & Allison.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Housley, of 347 State street, West Philadelphia, Penn., will keep open house January 1, from 10 a. m. to 1 p. m.

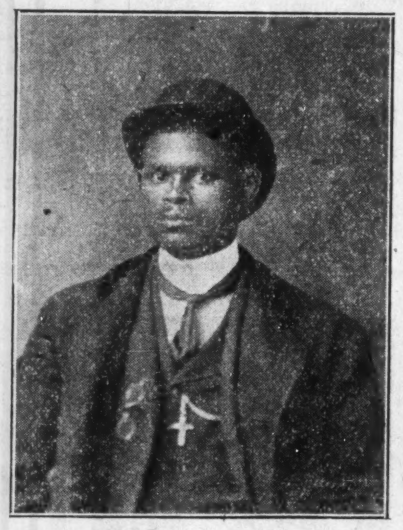
The Prampins are billed to open the Shutes, San Francisco, week December 28, Lyceum Theatre, San Francisco, week January 5. Returning East over the Orpheum circuit.

Notes of the Excelsior Theatre, Sanford, Fla.—Jones and Lenora are making good. Eva Campbell is very entertaining with her sweet voice. Latimore Robinson's buck dancing is the "hit." Florence Harris, the contortionist, is our "head liner." Prof. S. Higginbottom and Fred Parker sends regards to Buddie Glenn, Dennis Mitchell and Tom Cooss. Tom Logan, Web Williams and Vida Divine write—[You must write on one side of the paper.]

Wm. Benbow writes from the Aga Show.—We are in our second week in Georgia and doing good business. Harry Ellis, of St. Louis, joined us recently and is making good. Miss Aga, the floating lady, is still foolin' 'em with her act. Rose "Bud" Washington is still making good with her coon shouting. John Walker would like to hear from Sank Sims. Miss Washington is cleaning up as Dinah. Alberta Benbow, in her act with her husband, Wm. Benbow, "Roston's First Night Out," brings the house down nightly. Wm. Benbow sends regards to Will Cheatham, Will Spencer, Will Thomas and Jim Turner and all Montgomery, Ala., friends.

The Cain Sisters are presenting a very high class singing turn with the Rose Sydell Burlesque Co, at the Empire theatre this week. They introduce Master Oscar Richardson, a colored lad who leaves them howling by his grotesque dancing. It would seem by the numerous acts of this character now running in burlesque that this field of managers are the only ones who will take the chance of letting a colored performer to the front on his merits. We are sorry, however, to observe and loathe to advance any theory why juveniles alone are enjoying the results of this new regime. It is flatteringly evident that these two young ladies are free from that cheap affectations of superiority common to team work of this kind. They sail into their work with a heart interest and broadness of soul, which wins from the audience great applause. They share honors equally with the colored lad.

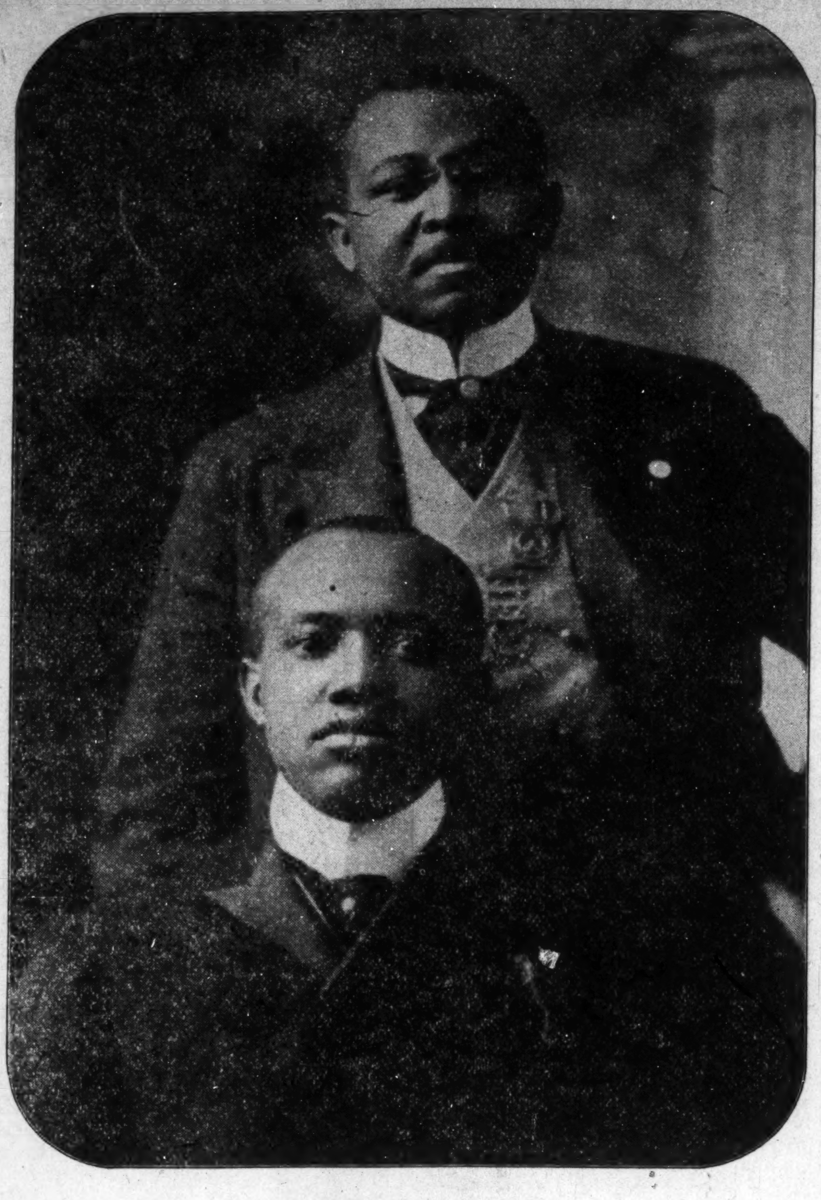
Notes of Richard & Pringle's Georgia Minstrel.—Mrs. Clarence Powell, of Galveston, Tex., spent X-mas with her husband. Mrs. Alberta Ormes-Dudly has rejoined the company after a much needed vacation much improved in health. We played a return date in Galveston and Houston on the 23 and 24, excellent business. Kraton, the hoop controller, after a severe spell of sickness, is able to make his turn now. Simpson & Pittman, unquestionable the premier musical team on the road, continue winning round after round of applause. Prof. Frank Clermont is still on the sick list. He has won many friends this season with his big concert band. Mr. Clermont sends regards to Bob Slater, J. Harry Jackson, Houseley Brothers and Judy Glenn Richard E. Hayes is the author of two very pretty waltzes, namely, "Vivian," arranged by John W. Haywood, and "Earnestine," arranged by Frank Clermont. They will be on the market soon. Our X-mas was most enjoyably spent in Brenham, Texas, while there we made W. A. Taylor's tavern our headquarters. Mr. Taylor royally entertained the boys. During our engagement in Abbyville, La., Mr. and Mrs Moten entertained John W. Cooper and Frank Castry. When we showed in Nava Soto, Napoleon Johnson's birth place, 'nuf sed. Wm. Garland, tenor soloist and interlocutor, is much improved and working hard as usual. S. H. Dudley sends best regards to Dr. E. C. Shaw, of Mobile, Ala.



The subject of this sketch, Mr. James H. Wilson, is one of the best known colored musicians in the country. He has composed and arranged several beautiful pieces of music for the cornet, and as a cornet soloist he stands second to none. Mr. Wilson has traveled extensively throughout this country and Canada with different well known musical organizations. He is now professor of music at the A. and M., College, of Normal, Ala. Mr. Wilson was born in Nicholasville, Ky., December 19, 1880, and after "going through" the public schools at that place he finished his education in the public schools of Cincinnati, O. Mr. Wilson is a constant reader of The Freeman and wishes us with all professional friends a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

And They Were Wed.

Members and friends of Lawrence Chenault, the eminent and principal tenor of the Gus Hill's Smart Set Co. now enroute through the South will be pleased to learn of his marriage to Miss Hattie Hopkins, the talented and artistic soprano, late of Williams & Walker Co, and now principal of the Smart Set Co. The ceremony was performed in the city of Little Rock, Ark., last week, and came as a surprise to their most intimate friends in the company, but when all recovered from the shock a hearty hand shaking and well wishing was indulged in by all pending the wedding. Mr. Chenault is a resident of Cincinnati, where he has a host of friends as well as abroad. Miss Hopkins, whose amiable and unaffected disposition has won her hosts of friends will be sadly missed by the "smart set" of Forida. Best wishes to them is the best word of all of us.



BARBOUR AND SMITH,
MUSIC PUBLISHERS.

J. Berni Barbour and N. Clark Smith the two representative musicians and composers who recently founded a music publishing house in Chicago. Their first publication will be "Baby, I'm Learning to Love You," the same was written especially for the Sisters Merideth, who are making it a great hit. Messrs Barbour and Smith have the distinguished honor of being the first to found a Negro music publishing house, they both had a varied experience in every phase of music, from playing it to arrangement and composing. They are pleasantly located at 3604 State street, Chicago, Ill., drop in and hear "Babe," you are sure to add the same to your repertoire. They wish the route of all legitimate performers.

The SPORTING WORLD

Colson to Coach Harvard Oarsmen.

In Fred Colson, the former Cornell cockswain, Harvard will have a rowing coach who is thoroughly familiar with the famous Cornell stroke as a result of "Pa" Courtney's own teaching. He will no doubt introduce the Cornell style at Cambridge.

Professor Horatio L. White, the newly appointed chairman of Harvard's athletic committee, is instrumental in bringing Colson to that college. He goes to Cambridge to study instruction and administration in the Harvard law school, although there is no doubt his real motive is to coach the crew.

F. D. COLSON, HARVARD'S NEW ROWING COACH.

Colson has steered one champion Cornell crew to victory and successfully coached the freshmen crews for four years.

Western Bicycle Circuit.

Arrangements for a western bicycle racing circuit have been completed. Denver, Pueblo, Salt Lake City and Ogden will form the circuit, which is being promoted by the managers of the successful Salt palace track at Salt Lake City. This track has been a pronounced money maker for four consecutive years, the receipts of the present year having been $27,000. F. E. Schefski is the manager of the circuit. Dave Shafer is interested.

Automobiles In Cuba.

The Cubans have taken to automobiles with some enthusiasm and display quite a remarkable knowledge of the different makes. The French have already intrenched themselves strongly. With the chief demand for eight to ten horse machines, selling from $1,400 to $1,800, however, the Americans have an excellent chance to control the Cuban trade.

East Versus West In Athletics.

Another opportunity is open to the colleges of the west to meet the best men in the east, and that opportunity will be given during the sports at the St. Louis exposition. On May 30 the western intercollegiate championships will be held, and two weeks later, on June 11, the national intercollegiate championships will take place in the stadium.

Duffey Will Defend His Title.

Arthur F. Duffey, the intercollegiate and world's champion sprinter, will defend his title at the annual college championship meeting to be held next May. The announcement comes as an authoritative denial of the stories which have been printed frequently to the effect that Duffey would not again appear in the intercollegiate games.

Motors at World's Fair.

With the Mississippi at hand for trials, the St. Louis fair promises to establish an epoch in the automobile and motor boat sport and industry in this country. Makers of both classes are preparing for an elaborate demonstration of them during the exposition.

The Dixon-Palmer Fight.

The reports of the recent Dixon-Palmer fight in England say that it was the best contest decided there in years. At the conclusion of the contest Palmer said, "I held the old man too cheaply, and I have been well beaten."

New Baseball Scheme.

Manager Billy Clymer has a new scheme under his bonnet. He would wed the east and west in a league made up of Jersey City, Baltimore, Buffalo and Toronto combined with Louisville, Columbus, Indianapolis and Toledo.

Boxing In London.

Attendance at the boxing bouts in London has been fair, but the fact remains that the Britons will not give up a five dollar note for any fight unless it is international and a championship.

McGovern Better Than Ever.

"I feel better than ever," remarks the almost forgotten featherweight pugilist, Terry McGovern, "and want it understod that I am not a dead one by any means."

Hurley Still an Amateur.

Marcus Hurley, the national amateur cycling champion, again escapes the ax and will remain an amateur for another season.

A STREET CAR GHOST

I was driver of a bobtail car. There were two passengers in the car at the time—a saintly looking sister of charity and a man who looked a tramp in the last stage.

There was only one nickel in the box, and after knocking repeatedly on the door I stopped the car and went inside. The tramp protested that he had paid his fare, and I turned to the nun. By a gesture she signified that I should hand to the man a paper that was lying on the seat. I did so, and when I turned again the nun was gone. The tramp declared that he had not seen her—that he had been alone.

Utterly mystified, I went back and started the car. A little later the tramp got my name and address and left the car. That night I went to my doctor and told him my story.

"Now, doctor," I said, "if I am luny, out with it!"

"No, no, Jim," said he; "very sane men have optical illusions now and then."

"I don't want any more of 'em," said I. "Collecting fares of optical illusions doesn't pay."

"I should say not," said the doctor. "But my opinion is that you turned your back a minute and that the woman got off without paying her fare. Probably she was not a real sister of charity. The city is full of frauds. She made you take the paper to the man to give herself a chance. See, now?"

I thanked him kindly and went away, and it didn't happen again. Weeks went along, and it was winter and as cold as Greenland, and passengers more bothersome than I ever knew 'em, when one day, standing in the stables, talking to Mike Gallagher, the old fellow that watered the horses and always had a joke for everybody, I heard my name called.

"You're wanted, Jim," said some one, and I went out into the street, and the man that had called me pointed to a gentleman, about as fine a looking one as I ever knew, and he (the gentleman) walked up to me.

"It's your dinner time, isn't it?" said he.

"Yes, sir," said I. "I've got a few minutes left."

"Come along, then," said he. He walked me into a restaurant close by the stables and said, "Call for what you want," and I named it. Then said he, "You don't remember me, Jim Brown?"

"No, sir," said I.

"You gave me a paper about six months ago," said he—"a newspaper. I asked your name."

"Oh, oh!" said I. "No, sir, I didn't know you. I begin to see the likeness, but you—you"—

"I know," said he. "I was pretty well down on my luck then. See here." He unbuttoned his coat, a sealskin, bless you, and took out of the breast pocket a newspaper. "Read that," he said, pointing to where it was folded.

I read it. This is what it said:

"If Ferdinand Melrose will return home all will be forgiven by his dying father," and after that where he was to inquire for "further particulars."

"Well, I am Ferdinand Melrose," says the gentleman, "the black sheep of my family. Long ago my stepmother made mischief between my father and myself. He forbade me his house, and I rather went to the bad. No matter for my story. Besides the fare you inquired about I had only a bottle of laudanum in my pocket. I was going to Central park to take it. I should have slept myself out of life into eternity and the city would have seen to my funeral if you had not given me that paper. I went to the place mentioned and found, as I expected, that money had been left in a lawyer's hands to take me home. When I got there, I found that my stepmother had been dead three years and that my father had been attacked by a disease that must be fatal. We were reconciled, and when he died I found myself a rich man. I had kept Jim Brown's address, and I feel that I owe him something."

"Nothing at all," says I. "The lady—the sister—told me to give it to you."

"What lady?" said he.

"I'd like to know myself," said I, and then I told him my story.

"It is strange," says he. "I could swear that I was the only passenger at the time. I felt so miserable and so shabby that I purposely waited for an empty car. And another thing is strange, Jim Brown," said he. "We had a ghost in our family. A nun is said to appear now and then, always to do good. And my father declared that while he was ill she appeared to him three times, always pointing to my portrait, which hung in his bedroom, and always conveying to him in some way that it was his duty to search for me. In fact, she was the cause of our reconciliation."

I couldn't say anything. Neither of us spoke about the thing again, but when he insisted on starting me in the eating house line I wasn't fool enough to refuse, and, as you see, I'm not a bobtail car driver any longer.

No; I haven't seen anything queer since that time, and I can't say I'm anxious, but whether the lady was what the doctors call an optical delusion it's certain that she only did good to all concerned. Bless her for coming!

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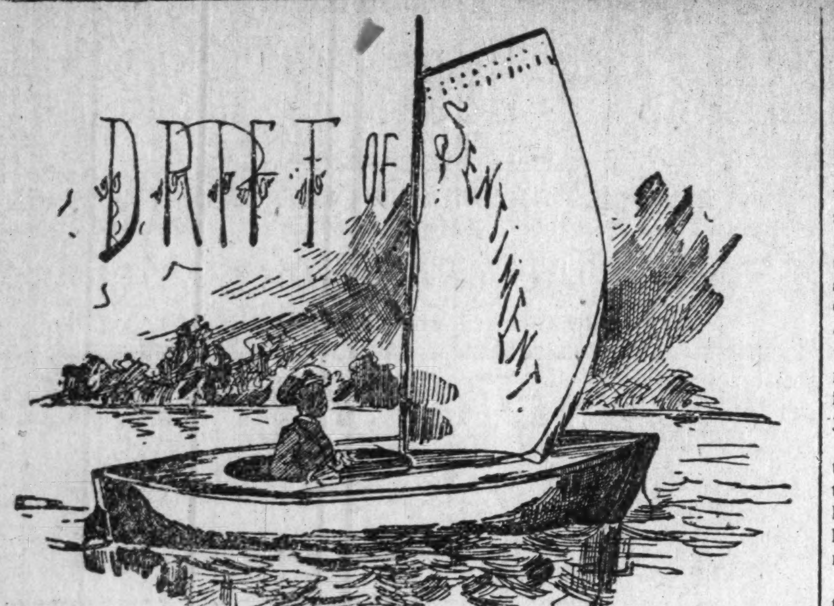

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN

By MARY WINTHROP

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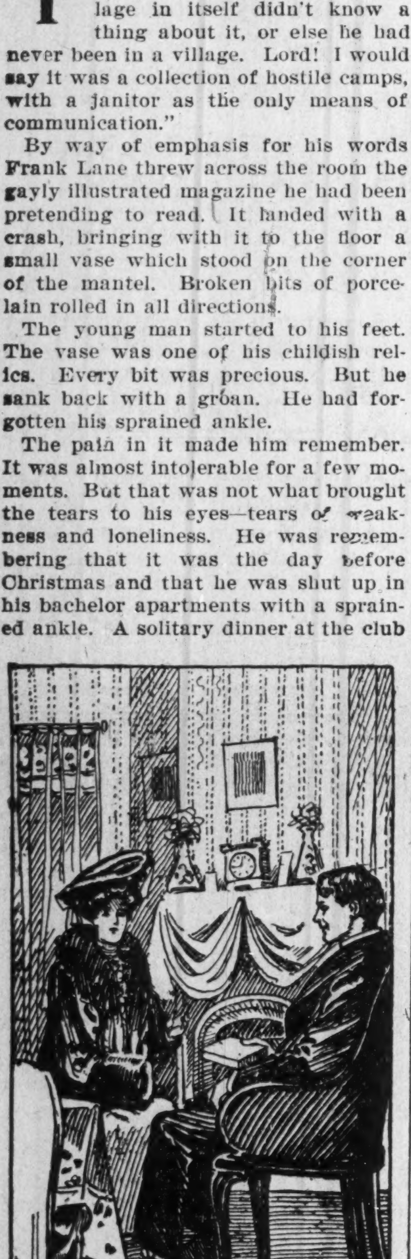
"THE man who said that a big apartment house was a village in itself didn't know a thing about it, or else he had never been in a village. Lord! I would say it was a collection of hostile camps, with a janitor as the only means of communication."

By way of emphasis for his words Frank Lane threw across the room the gayly illustrated magazine he had been pretending to read. It landed with a crash, bringing with it to the floor a small vase which stood on the corner of the mantel. Broken bits of porcelain rolled in all directions.

The young man started to his feet. The vase was one of his childish relics. Every bit was precious. But he sank back with a groan. He had forgotten his sprained ankle.

The pain in it made him remember. It was almost intolerable for a few moments. But that was not what brought the tears to his eyes—tears of weakness and loneliness. He was remembering that it was the day before Christmas and that he was shut up in his bachelor apartments with a sprained ankle. A solitary dinner at the club



"I WISH YOU WOULD LET ME KEEP IT."

was never wildly festive for Christmas, but even that was to be denied him this year.

There was a rattling at the hall door. Lane hastily brushed aside the tears as the wife of the janitor came in. Womanlike, she was compassionate. Her face beamed as she cried: "A package for ye, Mester Lane. Th' postman jest left it, an' I hurried it up, thinkin' it might cheer ye a bit. It's sure some prisint a lady fren's been a-sendin' ye."

The invalid laughed shortly. From a lady friend! He had been raised in an orphan asylum and as far as his knowledge went had not a living relation. His position in the business world was entirely due to his own pluck and energy. He had not had time to make lady friends.

When the woman had gone, he still looked curiously at the package in his lap. It was in bad order. The string was loosened and the enveloping paper torn. The address was blurred, but he could still make out faintly the inscription "F. E. Lane" and the name of the apartment house. It was really for him.

His fingers trembled with eagerness as he slipped off the outside wrapper and disclosed dainty tissue paper and ribbons. It must surely be from a girl, he thought.

Inside was a creation of violet silk. He eyed it dubiously, but then his face cleared. He had seen similar curios in shop windows. It must be a handkerchief case.

But the name of the sender? He took hold of the case gingerly and shook it. He carefully turned it inside out. No card appeared. It must have slipped out on the way. He sniffed appreciatively. The case was strongly scented with violets. It almost seemed as if the fair donor herself was glorifying his room with her presence.

Yet the question of who had sent it still remained unsolved. He knew whom he wished had sent it—the girl in the flat above. She was the girl who, when she came in from the office of an evening, sat down at the piano and rattled off a jolly twostep—that was when things had gone well—or crept in quietly and sang soothing lullabies—that was when the day's work had left her wornout and blue. Lane sympathized, for he had felt just that way himself.

"B-r-r-r" rang the electric bell. Lane frowned as he reached his hand back for the button. Why need commonplace realities in the shape of the janitor break in upon his day dream? Then he straightened up suddenly. The figure standing in the doorway was not to be confused with the janitor. It was a girl with rebellious brown curls wandering down to obstruct a pair of serious dark eyes. It was the girl of the flat above.

The girl stood uncertainly a moment in the gathering dusk, then stepped forward with sudden decision. "I beg your pardon for intruding on you," she said apologetically. "I don't believe you can even see who I am in this semidarkness. Won't you let me light up? I am the girl from the flat above." As she spoke she turned to the switch. In a moment the room flashed into a blaze of light.

Lane still stared at her as if at a vision, but the years of business training came to his aid. "Won't you sit down, Miss Fane?" he said courteously. "I can't rise—a little trifle of a sprained ankle."

"Yes, I know," the girl interrupted sympathetically. "The janitor told me. I am so sorry." The man found her pity very sweet.

"I don't want to trouble you," she went on, "but I am looking for one of my Christmas presents which is lost, strayed or stolen. It must have come, for my cousin writes that it was mailed some days ago."

Instinctively Lane spread his hands over the dainty trifle lying in his lap. Yes, the pillow hid it from view.

"It is a handkerchief case made of purple silk. As our names look something alike, I thought it might have come to you by mistake." She looked at him expectantly.

Now, Lane had been mentally planning how he might keep that handkerchief case. He was a thief in everything but the deed. But he could not answer those searching brown eyes with a lie. "Yes, I have it. I thought it was mine." And he held it out weakly. Then sudden inspiration came to him. "I wish you would let me keep it," he said pleadingly. "I will buy you anything else in its place that you like."

Miss Lane's color deepened. "Why?" she asked wonderingly.

"Because," he said vehemently, "it's the only Christmas present I shall have. I have been lying here in the dusk imagining who might have sent it to me, and I can't bear to give it up. I would not care so much if I was up and around. You don't know how blue a fellow gets shut up here all alone. Little things come to count a lot."

He looked so helpless lying there on the couch that the girl's heart went out to him, and she had a fashion of following her heart more readily than her head. "You poor fellow!" she said gently. "I know just how you feel. You shall keep the handkerchief case. Cousin Laura will never know, and I have several others. And you must count it as a real Christmas present from me. Only don't give me anything in its place except to wish me a merry Christmas when I come down to see you in the morning. I will bring some of the goodies from my home box. They will make you forget all about the ankle."

She hurried away. Lane did not know that it was because she wished to hide tears brought to her eyes by the dumb look of gratitude on his face. And he lay back and wished that the morrow might come.

Before another Christmas the two flats were empty. Mr. and Mrs. Lane were keeping house in a large flat on the ground floor. His wife always declares that he stole her heart and the handkerchief case at one and the same time on that memorable Christmas eve.

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The writer spent last Christmas in the home of Baron von Shierbrant. The day before Christmas the drawing rooms were closed. No one dare enter except the baron and baroness, who came in and out of those rooms very quietly and mysteriously. On Christmas eve the first event of interest is the Christmas eve dinner, which is characterized by the serving of "karpfen in bier" and the bringing forth from their secret hiding places of the famous Christmas cakes, marzipan, pfeffernuesse and pfefferkuchen. Dinner ends with the joining of hands and all saying, "Gesegnete mahlzeit."—Washington Post.

A Juvenile Impression.

"I'll be glad when I'm a grownup man," said the thoughtful youngster.

"Why?"

"Because then I can get my Christmas presents without having to be good beforehand."—Washington Star.

Has Been There Himself.

"Chris'mus kin be made so much pleasanter ef the stern parunt will on'y let his min' wander back tew the time when he made a dash fur the ole chimneypiece himself," says Ole Nutmeg.

Ballads of Yule.

Though some are dead and some are fled
To lands of summer over sea,
The holly berry keeps his red,
The merry children keep their glee.
They hoard with artless secrecy
This gift for Maude and that for Molly,
And Santa Claus he turns the key
On Christmas eve. Heigh-ho, the holly!

Amid the snow the birds are fled;
The snow lies deep on land and lea;
The skies are shining overhead;
The robin's tame that was so free.
Far north at home the "barley bree"
They brew; they give the hour to folly.
How "Rab and Allen cam' to pree,"
They sing; we sing, Heigh-ho, the holly!

ENVOI.

Friends, let us pay the wonted fee,
The yearly tithe of mirth, be jolly!
It is a duty so to be,
Though half we sigh, Heigh-ho, the holly!

—Andrew Lang.

Kind Old Man.

Ascum—What did that rich old uncle of yours give you for Christmas? Something useful, I'll bet.

Hauskeep—Yes; a little device for saving coal bills.

Ascum—Ah! An arrangement to attach to the heater.

Hauskeep—No; to keep on my desk. It's a bill file.—Philadelphia Press.

The Only One In Captivity.

Museum Patron—Well, what new freak have you for the holidays?

Manager—The rarest thing on earth—the man who doesn't buy more Christmas presents than he can afford.

Then He Took Another.

Comfort Brown—Don't you think it nonsensical—all this kissing under the mistletoe?

Thomas Tubbs—Sure thing! But a little nonsense now and then is relished by the best of men—and women!

A Synonym.

Spacer—Give me a synonym for the word Christmas.

Popper (moodily)—Broke!

At Gay Yuletide.

All hail the genial time of year
When every heart is kind,
When far and near there is good cheer
And care is left behind.

Old feuds forgot, old hates aside,
Now hearty clasps of hand.
While far and wide at Christmastide
Love reigns throughout the land.

Forgive, forget, a truce to pride;
Healed are all friendship's rifts.
At gay Yuletide on every side
We're "worked" for Christmas gifts.
—New York Journal.

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POLLY HANGING HOLLY

WITH Polly I chanced to be hanging the holly,
With Polly the roguish, with Polly the sly;
With Polly, who's brimming with frolic and folly,
A quip on her lip and a jest in her eye.

The wind it was grieving, and shadows were weaving
Their dark web without o'er the face of the sky.
Within it was merry with green leaf and berry,
And Polly, close by, with a gleam in her eye.

"This holly, I know, sir, you wish mistletoe, sir!"
Cried Polly as o'er us a wreath we hung high.
I looked at her, laughing, to see were she chaffing,
And, oh, what a glint there shone out from her eye!

"THIS HOLLY, I KNOW, SIR, YOU WISH MISTLETOE, SIR!"

How like the rose petals on which the bee settles
Her cheeks were! Her lips were the holly fruit's dye.
"Be it mistletoe, dear, a minute or so, dear!"
"A minute?" breathed Polly, with mirth in her eye.

So it's, oh, to be handling the holly with Polly,
With Polly the mischievous, Polly the sly!
With Polly, the genius of all that is jolly,
A lure on her lip and with love in her eye!
—Clinton Scollard in Smart Set.

ORIGIN OF XMAS GREENS.

They Were Used at Christmastide Five Centuries Ago.

The use of evergreens at Christmas time is older than the Christmas tree, the Christians seeming to have copied it from their pagan ancestors. In a very old book we find this reference to the use of evergreens at Christmas time: "Against the feast of Christmas every man's house, as also their parish churches, were decked with holme, ivie, bayes and whatsoever the season of the year afforded to be green. The conduits and standards of the streets were likewise garnished, among the which I read that in the year 1414, by tempest of thunder and lightning, toward the morning of Candlemas day, at the Leadenhall, in Cornhill, a standard of tree, being set up in the midst of the pavement, fast in the ground, nailed full of holme and ivie, for disport of Christmas to the people, was torn up and cast down by the malignant spirit, as was thought, and the stones of the pavement all about were cast in the streets and into divers houses, so that the people were sore aghast at the great tempest."—Leslie's Weekly.

On the Christmas Tree.

The old fashioned stockings and hearts and crosses and animals cut out of tarlatan outlined with worsted and then filled with flat candies and tied on the tree are always popular ornaments. Sugar figures bought in the confectionery store will serve to break the monotony. The baker at Christmas time usually has his windows filled with horses, dogs, cats and men and women made of delectable cake dough and artistically ornamented with colored sugar curlycues. These are toothsome and attractive to the small boy and girl.

Candles in small candle holders are always scattered well over the tree. It is a wise precaution to keep a pan of water in which is a wet sponge in case of accidents. When a spark falls upon a bough, the sponge quickly applied to the spot will check the spread of the fire.—Washington Star.

Christmas In the West.

Deadshot Dick—Any fun in B'ar Creek on Christmas, Bill?

Grizzly Bill—Waal, we had a purty big Christmas tree.

Deadshot Dick—Anything of much account hangin' on it?

Grizzly Bill—Three hoss thieves and two Chineymen.

During the hot weather little calves should have access to shady quarters, but this does not mean that they should be obliged to remain during the day in hot, stuffy places. A roof to protect them from the sunshine is often sufficient, because in such places the air circulates freely and they are also

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RACE GLEANINGS.

Dr. J. C. Price was the first Negro to occupy the pulpit of Henry Ward Beecher.

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John M. Lingston was the Dean of the Law Department of Howard University, elected in 1869.

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Hon. Judson W. Lyons register of he treasurer has been elected a member of the American Academy of Politics and Social Science, being the first colored man so honored.

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The Tuskegee Negro Conference will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 17 and 18. This will be the thirteenth annual session, and all presist indications indicate a large one.

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Paul Laurence Dunbar, the race's noted poet, is again recovering his health and appearing before audiences. Mr. Dunbar appeared in Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 21st, before a large audience

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Phillis Wheatley, the poetess, wrote a poetical epistle to General Washington in 1775, and her genius was spoken of in the highest praise by President Washington later. This girl wrote remarkable poems at the age of sixteen.

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J. D Baltimore is an inventor and engineer. When only fourteen years of age he made a steam engine; was engineer of the United States coast survey at Washington, D. C., and in 1880 became chief engineer and mechanician at the Freedman's hospital.

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Mr Clarence Matthews of Tuskegee (Ala.) Institute, class of 1897, is a Harvard student who has a place on the Harvard baseball team and in its championship games with Yale in 1902 and 1903 carried off the honors of the game by sensational playing and batting.

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James Holmes and Sherman Jones, former students in tailoring at Tuskegee Industrial School, are doing good work in their own shop at Pueblo, Col. W. C. Brown, class of 1901, is at Lawrence, Kas, carrying on his own tailoring business. He employs several men and has a large patronage.

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Mr. Firdinand Morton, a colored boy, has been selected to represent Harvard of Cambridge in its annual debate with Yale in place of Mr. T. H. Reed whose health is broken by over study. Mr. Morton won on his merits. His home is in Washington, D. C, and he is a graduate of Phillip Exeter Academy.

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At Birmingham, Ala., Rev. Phillips has been named probation officer by Judge Feagin of the Inferior Criminal Court, it being the duty of the officer, under a plan of Judge Feagin's, is to look after the juvenile black offenders who come before him, see that they either attend school or go to work and find homes for them in the country when practicable. Dr. Phillips will see that these boys have a special class in the public schools for their instruction.

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Henry Gilbert, the last John Brown survivor, died recently in Cleveland, O He was one of the first party of twenty that John Brown reunited to attack the slavery party. All the others were either hanged or imprisoned by the Southerners. Gilbert was born in Germany in 1825 and came to America just at the time when the slavery question was at its white heat. The Kansas-Nebraska bill had been passed, and many New Englanders were rushing to Kansas. He at once started for the debated ground. There he met John Brown, who imbued him with many of his ideas. At the outbreak of war in Kansas Gilbert joined Brown's band and served through the war.

Educational Notes.

The past week, like all time at Lincoln Institute, has been full of busy activity, no letting down for the Christmas vacation, but on the contrary, as one teacher expressed it, all, both teachers and students, were on the "lightning express," warking hard to pull into Union station December 24, without mental wreckage or breakage. By this time all have learned how happily to combine lessons and a certain amount of pleasure without seriously affecting the former; hence, while one of the busiest, it has proved one of the most pleasurable weeks of the rapidly passing year. The pupils of the C elementary class, young as they are, have caught the spirit that so completely permeates the present administration—that of giving pleasure to others—and on Friday afternoon entertained their teacher, Prof. R. A. West, in a royal manner. As future hosts and hostesses they showed themselves to be "to the manor born" The C Normal Rhetorical Division, Prof J. S. Moten, director, held a debate, to which the entire school was invited, on the following subject: Resolved "That Higher Education for Women is Extravagant and Unnecessary." The participants, three on a side, held their own in a very creditable manner, and while no judges were appointed it seemed to one casual observer that the young ladies carried off the honors on the number of points made. Friday evening concluding a well spent day in each department, the beautiful drama "Hiawatha" was given under the supervision of Prof J. W. Damel Each part was rendered in an excellent manner, and elicited from the audience well merited praise. Lincoln Institute will be well represented on the program of the coming State Teacher's Association by President B. F. Allen and Prof. J. Yates. Prof. G. S Murray has been invited to take part in the meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, which is to meet in St. Louis December 28, '03 to January 2, '04. This association is in its fifty-sixth year, and some idea of the honor that attaches to being invited to participate in its discussions may be gleaned from a statement found on its call recently sent out. During the past fifty years the names of practically all the leaders of American science have been on the register of the association and includes in its list of active fellows such well known scientific men as Newcomb, Lesley, Morse, college presidents, Scurman and Pritchett, of Cornell; Jordan, of Stanford; Dabney, of University of Tennessee. Prof J. Silone Yates has been invited to Louisville to assist in the work of federation in Kentucky, in the interest of the National Association of Colored Women, December 29 also to Jacksonville, Fla., on the same date, to assist Mrs. B. T. Washington in the meeting of the Southern Federation. The French class, composed of teachers taught by President Allen, endeavored to give some tangible expression to their high appreciation, and at the close of the French lesson for 1903 presented their most highly esteemed president and director with a pair of very beautiful gold monogram cuff-buttons.

Some Interesting News.

Cadiz, O., Special.—"The Spinsters' Return" at the A. M. E. Church Christmas Eve. An excellent entertainment was given Friday afternoon, Dec. 18, at the school house by the primaries. Miss Dora Stewart, who has been teaching for sometime, deserves great credit for the work she has done and is doing; and every parent and friend that was present certainly appreciate the efforts that are being put forth for the elevation of her pupils. Short talks of appreciation and encouragement were given by Messrs R. F. Ballard and W. H. Lucas, teachers of rooms No. 2 and 3 respectively, and Rev. H. F Fox. Mrs. Harriett Thomas has returned home Joseph Jones has returned to his home in Harrisville. Mrs. Bessie Thompson of Bradley, O., was in town last Friday week. Mrs. Jennie Duling returned last week from a few days' visit with her sister, Mrs. M. B. Carter of Uhricsville. Mrs Catherine Alexander is home after spending nearly two months with her daughter, Mrs L. A. Doubt of Bridgeport. She reports her health fully recovered. The Masonic lodge gave their annual banquet last night (New Year) at their hall. Bingham Benford was in Harrisville last week the guest of Joe Jones.

Installation of Pastor.

Sherman Heights, Tenn., Special.—Rev. F A. Jackson was installed to the pastoral charge of the Mt. Joy Baptist church with appropriate ceremonies, it being witnessed by a large and attentive audience. The installation sermon was preached by Rev. C. Young from the subject, "Feed My Sheep" It was forcible and profound. Singing by the choir. The pastor was escorted by the deacons to the pulpit. Music. The Bible was presented to him by Rev. Young. The charge was delivered by Rev. I. C Campbell Singing. Responded to by Mr. L. Espey, Sunday-school superintendent. By request Prof. Wm. Brooks was master of ceremonies.

At the Head.

Hagerstown, Md, Special —For some time it has been my intention to give to The Freeman a line from this, the third city in population in Maryland. Fourteen thousand inhabitants, two thousand of which are Negroes. One of our great needs here is a Negro doctor of medicine. I see no reason why the right man should not build up a lucrative practice. The four churches, M. E., Free Baptist, Second Christian and A. M. E.'s are doing what they can to make the people better. In my impartial judgment The Freeman stands at the head of the five or six other Negro journals that come to this city.

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SPORT

Edited By BREAKAWAY.

Blakburn Outpoints Langford.

An agreement that a draw would be given if both men were on their feet at the finish alone saved Sam Langford, of Cambridge, the conqueror of Joe Gans, a defeat Thurday, December 24, at the hands of Kid Blackburn before the Central Athletic Club, of Boston, Mass. In eight of the twelve rounds Blackburn had all the best of it. Blackburn's showing was one of the biggest surprises given the local fistic fraternity this season. He jabbed Langford at will with his left hand. Langford's blows were stronger, and at infighting Blackburn had the worst of it. Langford started off like an easy winner, but in the fourth Blackburn began to set the pace, which he kept up to the finish. Both men showed remarkable science, particularly Blackburn, whose ducking and foot work won him many friends. The decision met with some disapproval, the majority of the crowd thinking that the decision should have been awarded Blackburn.

Hart Will Try for a Quck Finish.

Marvin Hart says that he will enter the ring January 5th weighing 179 pounds and that he will whip George Gardner. He says that he will make it a cyclone affair, and that the funnel-shaped cloud will form simultaneously with the sounding of the gong opening the battle. He says its furry will break as soon as he can get across the ring to Gardner. Hart realizes that he must put Fitz's latest victim out in order to win, and he will do everything he can to prevent the bout going the limit. He hopes to do what Fitz failed to do.

Colored Pugilist Killed.

Muldoon McDonald, a well-known colored heavey weight pugilist, was shot and killed Christmas day by W. H. Atkins, another colored man. The shooting was the result of an attempt upon the part of McDonald, his slayer declared, to steal $1 85 from a card table in the Wisconsin Hotel, San Francisco. Atkins admits the killing and says he was moved to the desperate deed by the refusal of McDonald to surrender the money he had taken.

Jeff Will Meet Monroe in Frisco.

The next heavy weight championship battle will probably be fought in San Francisco with James J. Jeffries and Jack Monroe occupying opposite sides of the ring as oponents. Manager Crof-froth, of the Yosemite Club, writes from New York to the effect that Jeffries has given a favorable reply.

Prize Ring Chatter.

Kid Carter and his trainer, Joe Macias, are at West Baden, Ind., and are burdening the mails by sending challenges to every pugilist on the map save Jeffries. Carter is matched to fight Choynski in Boston before the Criterion Club, January 12.

They say that when Tom O'Rourke greeted Al Limerick, after his bout with Jack Monroe, the mirrors cracked under the frost.

Money must be getting low among the "pugs." Sharkey, Maher, Choynski and a few others are beginning to shout.

Harry Forbes wants to pit Clarence, his brother, against Young Mowatt.

Morgan Williams and Andy Walsh fought a ten-round draw in Pueblo, Col Christmas night.

Sammy Smith, the Philadelphia feather, is trying to force a battle with Younger or Monroe.

The Metropolitan Athletic Club, of Detroit, desires to match Ryan and Fitzgerald for January 7.

There is a possible chance of Ben Jordan, champion featherweight of England, going to Chicago to box Benny Yanger.

John McInerney and two judges will decide the question of superiority between Jack O'Keefe and "Buddy" Ryan when they meet at the Ninth Ward Guard's boxing show in Chicago January 11.

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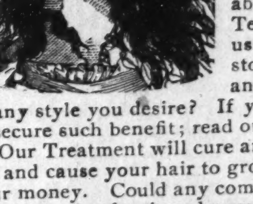

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Hear Mrs. Ella Palmer at Bethel church, Jan. 7.

Master Robert Williams is ill at his home in Douglass street.

Dr. J. H. Norrel of Muncie, Ind., attended the Mikado this week.

Miss Cora Julius of Marion, Ind., attended the Mikado here this week.

Mr. Julius Harmer of Milwaukee, Wis., was a pleasant caller at this office this week.

W. E G. Bennett of Rockville, Ind., passed through the city en route to Danville, Ind.

Mrs. Ella Palmer will lecture on her travels in the Orient, January 7th, at Bethel church.

Mrs. Thomas Johnson of Battle Creek, Mich., is visiting Mrs. Neal in North Missouri street.

J. Milton Benson of Mt. Vernon, Ind., attended the State Teachers' Association here this week.

Prof. R. A. Roberts and wife of Bloomington, Ind., attended the State Teachers' Association this week.

Miss Flora Harper returned to day from a visit to her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Harper, at Frankfort, Ind.

W. R. Hill, a student of Indiana University, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. V. Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Johnson entertained, Wednesday evening, in honor of Miss Eurus and Master Wm. Carr.

The memorial services of the disaster at Nashville, Tenn., college were held at Simpson Chapel last Sunday evening.

H. V. Eagleson of Bloomington, Ind., was in the city this week attending the meeting of the State Grand Officers of Masons.

The Auxiliary Board of Ladies received New Year's day from 2 to 6 p. m at the Flanner Guild parlors, 873 Rhode Island street.

Mrs. Robert Barnes, 1056 Davis street, left Thursday for an extended visit to relatives and friends at Nashville and Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Rev. John Wm. Brown of Flint, Mich., was buried Wednesday morning from the home of his son, William Brown, 312 W. Thirteenth street.

Dr. B. F. Watson, after spending a few days of the holiday season with his family in this city, left Wednesday evening for Philadelphia.

Miss Gertrude Valentine of Ekron, Ky., and Mr. Simeon Martin of Jeffersonville, Ind., spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Martin, 1013 Hadley St.

Bishop Grant spent part of the holidays at Wilberforce, leaving there for Philadelphia the latter part of the week, from which place he will go to New York.

Mrs E. Fleming Palmer will give a talk, illustrated by stereopticon views of her travels through the Orient, at Bethel church, Thursday evening, January 7th.

Miss Anna D. Davis, a trained nurse, of Cincinnati, who will soon go to Washington, D. C., to complete her studies, was the guest of her aunt, Madame McNairdee-Moore, for the holidays.

Mr. I. P. Johnson, a respected citizen of Indianapolis, died at his residence in East 16th street, last week. He leaves to lament his death his wife, his daughter, Mrs. Perkins, and many relatives and friends.

Mrs. Nancy West, age 83 years, died at the home of her son, William West last Wednesday night. She was buried in New Albany, Ind., her old home. She leaves two sons and a host of relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

The board of managers of the colored orphans' home return thanks to the E. B. Delany Missionary Society of the Second Baptist church, the Colored Womans' Club, Mrs. Henry Hart, Mrs. A. E. Manning and Mrs. Anna Page for their liberal donations of Christmas gifts and candy to the children of the home. They were a great pleasure to the children and will be remembered by them.

The Opera Mikado produced at Tomlinson Hall last Monday evening for the benefit of St. Philip's Episcopal Mission was a success. The best local talent available, under the direction of Prof. G. Fred Anderson, was well handled. Dr. J. H. Ward, as the Mikado of Japan, Prof. Anderson, his son, Miss Lulu Smith, Miss Kathryn Harper, all of whom took leading parts, were well received by a large and enthusiastic audience. Dusky Belles and dark hued gallants, in evening dress, presented a scene long to be remembered by the many whites who attended out of sympathy for the church.

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Columbia Notes.

Columbia, Tenn., Special.—An event of the day of interest to many friends in Columbia and elsewhere was the wedding of Miss Emma C. Whitley and Mr. Blant Dean, which took place Thursday evening December 29, at the Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church. Luther Miller, of Nashville, spent the holidays with his sister. The Coral Reef Club gave their annual Xmas entertainment at Golston's hall Friday, December 25. A wedding which came as a surprise to many friends was that of Miss Mariah Stephens and Thomas Birdsong which took place at the home of the bride's mother Thursday night, December 24.

Mineola News.

Mineola, Tex., Special.—The weather is beautiful. Mr. J. L. Brooks, of Wills Point, is doing well. West Rollins has recovered from a recent illness, the results of a serious cut. X-mas was enjoyed by all. Subscribe for The Free- $1.00 per year.

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But the poor kitten fell into the water, and there it floundered about, piteously mewing, while a crowd of children and grown folks gathered on the wall above, gazing down at it, some of them even laughing.

At this point along came Maurice, the newsboy. One glance was enough to show him what was doing. "Aw!" exclaimed he. "What are you'se guys rubbernecking at de kid's pet fur? Why don't you'se do sumthin'? Don't you'se see the little kid's a-cryin'?"

The next minute, seizing the chain that guards the edge of the Battery walk, Maurice swung himself down and reached out as far as he could in the effort to reach the kitten.

Then, to the dismay of the onlookers, just as he caught the kitten he somehow lost his grip on the chain, and down he fell into the water. The tide was going out, and try as he could he could not get a footing on the rocks.

But a workman, who was passing by, hurried to the rescue. Hanging over the wall, while a couple of men held his legs, he caught the boy's hand and pulled him out of the water.

Two Winter Games.

Have you ever played "stir the mush?" Have one chair too few. Some one stands in the middle of the room, holding a stout stick, and the others walk around her saying, "Stir the mush, stir the mush," and she pretends to stir very hard with the stick, continuing to do so for some time. After awhile, when no one is expecting it, she knocks three times on the floor with the stick and then drops it and joins her companions, who at this signal run for a seat. Whoever is left without a chair is the next to stir the mush.

"King and queen" is the name of another game. Have two rows of chairs, the boys sitting in one row with a king at their head and the girls facing them with a queen at the end. The boys are given even numbers and the girls odd ones. When all are ready the king calls a number, the boy who bears that number starts up, the queen immediately calls one of her numbers, and the girl then chases the boy around the company. If she succeeds in catching him before he gets to the king he pays a forfeit; if not they take their seats and the queen calls for a number.

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